

64230 Boroughmuir High School

I would like to request the following information in relation to Boroughmuir High School (BHS):

Out-of-Catchment Pupils

Please provide the number of pupils currently enrolled at Boroughmuir High School who are not resident within the school's designated catchment area, broken down by year group (S1 to S6 if available).

If possible, please distinguish between:

Pupils attending through a successful placing request.

Pupils who have subsequently moved outwith the catchment area but remain enrolled at the school.

Any other category of out-of-catchment attendance used by the Council.

[Out of catchment pupils currently enrolled at Boroughmuir High School:](#)

[S1 - Between 1 and 5*](#)

[S2 - 13](#)

[S3 - 36](#)

[S4 - 29](#)

[S5 - 43](#)

[S6 – 45](#)

[No pupils gained a place at the school through a non-catchment request.](#)

[*The precise number of pupils is withheld in compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018.](#)

Verification of Catchment Residency

Please provide details of the process used by the City of Edinburgh Council and/or Boroughmuir High School to confirm that pupils transferring from associated catchment primary schools are resident within the Boroughmuir High School catchment area.

In particular, please advise:

What evidence of address is required from parents/carers.

At what stage residency checks are undertaken.

Whether residency is re-verified when a pupil transfers from primary school to secondary school.

What checks are undertaken where there is concern that a pupil may not reside at the declared address.

Any relevant guidance, policies or procedures used by Council officers or schools in verifying catchment eligibility. If any of the requested information is already publicly available, please direct me to the relevant publication.

All information on how places are allocated for S1 can be found on the City of Edinburgh Council website at:

<https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/school-places/start-secondary-school/1>

This includes links to the Placing in Schools guide and our Admissions Policy and Procedure.

Information on Fraud Prevention can also be found through the following link:

<https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/downloads/file/30083/placing-in-school-procedures-for-new-p1-and-s1-intake>

Evidence of address is generally a proof of purchase or signed tenancy agreement. The Council can check Council Tax liability to confirm residency. If parents are not liable for Council Tax, we will confirm what information is required. Parents may also need to provide evidence they have left the previous property.

Other proof can include:

- A recent utility bill (energy or tv/broadband or TV Licence) in the parent's name for the address
- A Child Benefit letter or latest Universal Credit statement to the parent at the address given
- A driving licence registered at the address
- Proof the child is registered at the local doctor's surgery